THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S. R. BOMMAI): (a) The details of the grants released to the Asiatic Society, Calcutta by the Government of India are indicated hereunder:—

1994-95	Rs. 3.24 Crores
1995-96	Rs. 3.20 Crores
1996-97	Rs. 3.23 Crores

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir.

Refusal of JNU to Open Department of Sanskrit

2181. DR. KARAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that although the Jawaharlal Nehru University has a seaparate School of Languages in which many Indian and foreign languages are taught, it has consistently refused to open a Department of Sanskrit;

(b) whether Sanskrit is not an essential pre-requisite for a deep study of other Indo-European languages; and

(c) if so, by when the University will take necessary measurs to fill this vacuum?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCACTION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) According to the information furnished by the Jawaharlal Nehru University, the School of Languages has evinced keen interest in initiating instructional and research programmes in Sanskrit and including Sanskrit as one of the languages for studies in comparative Literature. However, due to lack of funds, the University has not been able to effectuate its intention of opening a Department of Sanskrit. The University has informed that while framing the 9th Plan proposals, the need to open a Department of Sanskrit will received adequate projection.

"एकीकृत बाल विकास सेवा परियोजना" के अंतर्गत गुजरात राज्य के लिये आवंटन

2182. **श्रीमती आमंडी ज० पटेल:** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) विश्व बैंक से सहायता प्राप्त "एकीकृत बाल विकास सेवा परियोजना" के अंतर्गत सरकार द्वारा गुजरात राज्य के कितने जिलों को 1992-93, 1993-94 और 1994-95 में कितनी-कितनी धनराशि आवंटित की गई;

(ख) उक्त धनराशि को राज्य द्वारा किस प्रकार खर्च किया गया तथा उसका क्षेत्र-वार ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) उक्त योजना से कितने बच्चे लाभान्वित हुए?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (श्री एस० आर० बोम्मई): (क) चूंकि विश्व बैंक सहायता-प्राप्त आई०सी०डी०एस० परियोजना गुजरात में नहीं चलायी जा रही है, इसलिये इस प्रकार की किसी परियोजना के अंतर्गत पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान आवंटित राशि तथा कवर किये गये जिलों की संख्या शून्य समझी जाए।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

Grants to Minorities Schools

2183. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether financial assistance has been provided as grant to the minorities schools in Kerala under the Area Improvement Programme;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to provide similar financial grant to other minorities schools of the country expecially of Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An amount of Rs. 105.48 lakhs was given to the State Government of Kerala in the year 1994-95, under the scheme of Area Intensive Programme for Educationally Backward Minorities.